

FRENCH TROOPS ARE MAKING BIG GAINS IN OFFENSIVE OF ALLIES AGAINST TEUTONS IN THE WEST

FOCH HEADS SOLDIERS IN GREAT ATTACK

English Also Gaining Successes Along a Wider Battle Front.

RUSSIANS REPORT MANY PRISONERS

Airmen Are Especially Active in Present Forward Movement.

Commanded by the dashing General Foch, the French troops which are cooperating with the British in the great offensive in the Somme river region, have made notable gains in the direction of Peronne, one of the most important strategic points along that front.

Meanwhile, the British, moving more slowly, but over a longer front, have captured La Houselle, where the fighting for the past few days has been of the fiercest character.

Beyond admitting the withdrawal of a division from their first line trenches on the Somme, the German official statement makes no reference to the battle now in progress.

Aerial activity is increasing in connection with the battle of the Somme, hundreds of the machines being engaged in reconnoitering, directing the guns and fighting.

ALLIANCE BY LATIN NATIONS

Reported Formed to Resist Aggression by the United States.

Mexico City, July 3.—An open letter was published today, signed by S. Soane Zafra, in which an agreement was cited which was said to have been entered into by 12 Latin American countries to resist aggression by the United States.

This agreement is said to have been signed by the representatives of the nineteen countries at Saragosa, Spain, on November 19, 1908.

According to Zafra's letter, the signers swore by the image of the Virgin of the Pillar, to act unitedly in the case of any single country or group of Latin American republics being threatened by the United States.

Machine Guns Are Being Used With Deadly Effect In Present Great Battle

Press Headquarters on the French Front, July 2, via London, July 3.—Machine guns played an important part in the German defense against the British attack and also in the British repulse of counter attacks when organizing positions were taken. Both Germans and British have been using them in amazing numbers.

TEN THOUSAND MORE GUARDS TO BE MOVED

Climax of Rush From Eastern Department Said to Have Passed.

MANY STATES HAVE TROOPS IN CAMPS

Over 24,000 Men Have Now Reached Trouble Zone or Are on Way.

New York, July 3.—While Major General Leonard Wood says that the movement of militia from the department of the east toward the Mexican border has passed its climax, he estimates that 10,000 more troops will leave their home mobilization camps during the present week.

The following figures at General Wood's headquarters show the number of troops in each state of the eastern department that have gone to the border or are still in mobilization camps:

Table with columns: State, Sent Forward, In Camp. Lists states from Massachusetts to Kentucky with corresponding troop counts.

HUGHES BEGINS CAMPAIGN WORK

G. O. P. Candidate Studying Issues of Present Election.

Bridge Hamton, N. Y., July 3.—Charles E. Hughes today began a detailed study of all the phases of the approaching campaign—a task which will engage his entire attention during the rest of his stay here.

Hundreds of documents, letters, reports, newspaper clippings and suggestions have been arranged for his attention, and lie in a battery of letter files in his library. The nominee expects to read them all.

PEARY WITHDRAWS FROM RACE
Portland, Me., July 3.—Rear Admiral Robert E. Peary announced his withdrawal from the republican senatorial nomination contest to fill out the unexpired term of the late Edwin C. Burleigh.

ANOTHER WEEK IN CAMP FOR N. D. GUARDS

Heavy Rain Struck Camp at Fort Lincoln Monday Afternoon.

OFFICERS PLEASED OVER THE DELAY

All Members of Regiment Have Now Taken Service Oath to U. S.

(By Staff Correspondent)
Fort Lincoln, N. D., July 3.—Unless something unforeseen happens, the North Dakota troops will be at Fort Lincoln another week. This was indicated today when arrangements were made to draw rations for seven more days.

INFANT DISEASE IS TAKING HEAVY TOLL IN THE METROPOLIS

New York, July 3.—The epidemic of infantile paralysis has claimed up to tonight 82 lives. Since Saturday noon there has been 23 deaths. Many new cases are reported.

EXPECTS DEMS TO AID G.O.P.

Secretary to McCumber Is Optimistic Over Election Chances.

(Herald Special Service.)
Washington, D. C., July 3.—That a good majority of democrats in North Dakota will vote the republican ticket at the coming election in November, was the prediction made by R. W. Farrar, of Wahpeton, secretary to Senator McCumber, who returned here today after a six weeks' primary campaign in that state.

MILLS NOMINATED AS MAJOR GENERAL BY THE PRESIDENT

Washington, July 3.—Army promotions under the new reorganization law were submitted to the senate today by President Wilson, headed by the nomination of Brigadier General Albert L. Mills, now chief of military division, to be major-general.

MEN COLLAPSE

El Paso, Tex., July 3.—The first ambulance corps of the Massachusetts guardsmen had its initial duty after detaining here in the care of a dozen of its members, who collapsed while making camp at Fort Bliss. They were overcome as a result of heat, altitude and hardships of 100 hours of traveling. All the men recuperated quickly.

ACREAGE INCREASED

Washington, July 3.—Estimates made today by the department of agriculture put the 1916 beet sugar acreage at 768,500 acres. This is 104,200 more than in 1915 and 254,000 more than in 1914.

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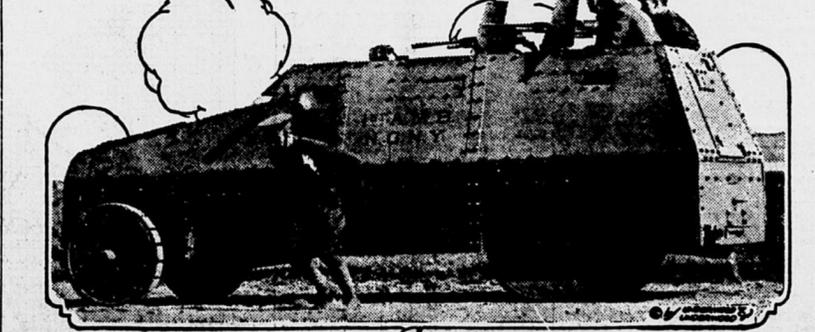
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Great Concentration of Troops Being Arranged For Texas City.

FIELD ARTILLERY BRIGADE IS FORMED

Militia Troops Arriving and Are Being Given Hard Work by Officers.

Appeal Sent to Governments of United States and Mexico.

LABOR LEADERS URGING PEACE

Washington, July 3.—An appeal to the government and the people of the United States and Mexico to do everything possible to avoid war was issued tonight by a joint committee of officials of organized labor of the two countries, which has been in session here at the headquarters of the American Federation of Labor. It is suggested that a commission of Mexicans and Americans be appointed to adjust existing differences which are declared due to "misunderstanding growing out of inadequate or incorrect information."

The labor leaders announced that while they hoped to hold another conference at which the workers of the two countries should be more generally represented, they had decided to postpone it until the present crisis had passed.

SAGE DONATION ANNOUNCED

Appleton, Wis., July 3.—President Samuel Plantz of Lawrence college has announced that Mrs. Russell Sage of New York donated \$100,000, the largest gift ever received by Lawrence, to erect a girl's dormitory as a memorial to her late husband.

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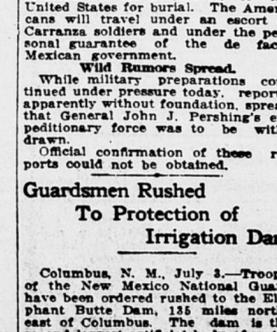
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